

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

v.

HO WAN KWOK, *et al.*

Defendants.

23-cr-00118 (AT)

**DECLARATION OF STEPHEN A.
BEST IN SUPPORT OF MOTION
FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE**

ECF CASE

I, STEPHEN A. BEST, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am a partner with the firm of Brown Rudnick LLP;
2. I submit this declaration in support of my Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice in the above-captioned matter;
3. As shown in the Certificates of Good Standing attached hereto, I am a member in good standing of the bars of the state of Virginia and of the District of Columbia. I am admitted to practice before several federal courts, including the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and Eastern District of Virginia.
4. I have never been convicted of a felony, never been censured, suspended, disbarred or denied admission or readmission by any court, and there are no pending disciplinary proceedings presently against me in any court.
5. I respectfully request to be permitted to appear as counsel *pro hac vice* in this case for Defendant Ho Wan Kwok.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing statements are true and correct based on my personal knowledge.

Executed this 27th day of March, 2023.

/s/ Stephen A. Best
STEPHEN A. BEST